



# Brampton Excelsiors Lacrosse Club

## Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting on Monday May 2, 2022

**Call to Order:** 7:20 pm

**Present:** Matt Bowman, Keith Slinger, Wes Jackson, Bob Boddam, Dean McLeod, Brent McCauley, Glenn McClelland ( via Zoom), Ron Evans (via Zoom), Dan Teat (via Zoom), Chris Lowe (via Zoom), Clint Nickerson (late arrival via Zoom), Jason Fancett (late arrival via Zoom)

**Regrets:** Dave Succamore

**Absent:** Brock Boyle

### **Approval of Minutes:**

- Minor grammatical mistake addressed

**Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes.**

**Motion: Brent**

**Second: Keith**

**CARRIED**

### **President's Remarks:**

- Noted Matt has been asked to act as chair for this meeting as Glenn was unable to attend in person.
- It was brought up that according to the Constitution, the Immediate Past President is entitled to attend meetings of the Board of Directors. The by-laws do not provide for a President being removed and as such, Ziggy is technically the IPP. With this in mind he was invited to the meeting. Did not attend.
- OLA sent a letter out regarding the situation with the MSL, reaffirming that the Excelsiors must play, also addressed issue of payment for Jr. Players.
- Letter was notably signed by Sean O'Callaghan (VP Jr.-Major), not Greg Hummel (President). Hummel reportedly refused to sign it, going against the wishes of the Board of Directors.
- The minutes from OLA March meeting show that the meeting held between OLA and BELC reps in April were not in line with the directive given, which was to communicate and enforce the OLA's ruling on the sale to MSL.
- Doug Luey has appealed the OLA letter.
- Still not response or communication to BELC from MSL.
- Details of appeal are not known, but the only thing able to be appeal *should* be the free agents. Sale was ruled on 8 months ago, long past the 5 business days an appeal has to be submitted by.



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- BELC should be entitled to representation according to OLA by-laws if this appeal involves the Excelsiors.
- Glenn spoke with Mike Davies of the Peterborough Examiner and Greg Cowan of the Owen Sound Sun Times regarding the situation. Both conversations went well, reports were receptive and published fair articles. Noted that he did state the best way forward would be to meet with MSL to reach a resolution, though neither article included this.
- Glenn and Ron met with local MPP regarding the Majors. He has reached out to the Minister of Sport to get BELC on her agenda.
- Made another attempt to contact former Board. Only Trevor responded.
- Glenn and Dean to speak to Ziggy at Hall of Fame induction.
- Discussion on “good standing”. Decided no such action should be taken, unproductive, should be up to the membership, not Board.
- Matt and Wes will meet to complete Directors filings.
- Ron and Chris to set up Jr. A and BELC bank accounts.
- Would like to extend Founders Cup promotions to include all of BELC.
- Founders Committee is not planning to run a beer garden due to facility costs and liability issues. Would like to look into running one as the BELC, raise money for the club. Many issues to explore and address, will look into it and discuss more at next meeting.

## **League/Team Reports:**

### **Major:**

- Dan has given probably dates of games to the city. Being held until confirmation of MSL resolution.
- No concerns about draft, Owen Sound picked the same players we likely would have.
- Already spoken with Peterborough and we will be able to get Austin Hasen back.
- Concerns about trade made by Owen Sound and one of our players being released to play in BC. Will contact VP Jr.-Major to discuss.
- Should be able to pick up some good prospects in the area from the pool of players released by the OLA.

### **Jr. A:**

- Made some roster changes in the last week.
- Final roster should be decided within the next week.
- Working on sponsorships. Already a few in, is also part of players’ registration package.
- Team is young and tough. Many other teams have also spent a lot building for this year. We will be in a great position over the next few years.



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- Jerseys and equipment ordered, working under the assumption that property will not be turned over. Anything we do get is bonus.
- Not planning beer gardens during the season, may be done for playoffs.

## **Jr. B:**

- 3-0 start to the season, including beating Halton Hills for the first time ever.
- Back home on Mother's Day against Mimico, afternoon game.
- Need to fill left side due to injuries, hopefully have a player coming in the next week.
- Season is looking really good, best team in Brent's time as GM.
- Relationship with Jr. A's has been like night and day under new management. Amazing team work and beneficial for both teams.

## **Men's Field:**

- Jason has introduced himself to the league.
- AGM is set for June 7<sup>th</sup>, Jason will attend.
- Most of the details for the season to be decided at AGM.

## **Women's Field:**

- Planning on house league program has been slow due to schedule conflicts.
- Aiming to start May 24<sup>th</sup>
- Need to get registration up and running soon.
- Have confirmed with OLA VP Finance that the OLA has the program's money, waiting for BELC account to be set up so money can be deposited.

## **Golf Tournament:**

- Getting groups signed up.
- Meeting with Glenn Eagle management this week to finalize details
- Discussion on awards (longest drive ect...). Ideas like playoff passes, annually engraved plaque, free ticket for next year's tournament.
- Already getting donations for silent auction, including items not sold at Jr. B silent auction.
- Aiming for May 27<sup>th</sup> as registration cut off.

## **Constitutional Committee:**

- Good progress has been made. Varried opinions on the committee create lots of good discussion.
- Progress has been slow in the last few meetings due to people being busy.
- Hoping meetings in person will be more productive than online.



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## **Fundraising and Sponsorship:**

- We have people interested in being part of the committee, but no one to chair
- Sponsors will be needed quickly for both Jr. As and Majors due to starting fresh with no equipment or money.
- Glenn to follow up with John Sanderson.
- Accounts need to be opened so sponsorship money can be deposited.
- \$25 000 noted as reasonable goal for start up cost.
- Jr. B's have spare set of jerseys Majors can use if we can't get a new set in time.

## **New Business:**

- Dean brought document showing BE logo trademark is registered by Ziggy.
- Concerns of TM applications by Joe Norton also raised.
- Wes suggests getting RZDC to send notice to inform government of issue and ask for the applications to be denied.
- Dean asks about value of Directors insurance. Wes says it can be highly valuable, especially if alcoholic events are involved.
- Dean will look into cost and details.
- Dean raised issue of how the Constitution addressed life members. Agreed it is not a pressing matter and should be dealt with by the Constitutional Committee.

## **Motion to adjourn.**

**Motion: Bob**

**Second: Keith**

**CARRIED**

**Adjournment: 8:59**